

House Resolution No. 911

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri couple who have enjoyed tremendous personal success through the bonds of Holy Matrimony; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. George Kelch, cherished residents of Curryville, Missouri, commemorated the splendid occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on December 27, 2003, with a festive celebration and reception held at the Bowling Green Community Center; and

Whereas, it was on January 2, 1954, that George Edward Kelch, son of Barny S. and Cassie Cox Kelch, took the hand of his beautiful bride, Mary Pauline Hickerson, daughter of Edd and Ruth Dixon Hickerson, and together they were joined in marriage before the eyes of God during a memorable wedding ceremony in Hannibal at the home of the Reverend John Golden; and

Whereas, attendants for the happy couple were the groom's sister and brother-in-law, Mildred and Clarence Brewer, who witnessed with pleasure as George and Mary promised to love and nurture one another for the rest of their lives; and

Whereas, a caring husband who loves to hunt and fish, Mr. Kelch provided a safe and secure future for himself and his wife through many years of tireless endeavor as a farmer, while Mrs. Kelch enjoyed taking care of their home and further distinguished herself through her work with genealogy; and

Whereas, George and Mary Kelch often reflect upon the joys and rewards they have experienced during their fifty years of marriage and look forward to beginning their sixth decade of wedded success and happiness:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most sincere and heartfelt congratulations to George and Mary Kelch upon the glorious celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them only the very best as they continue to walk hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. George Kelch, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Terry L. Witte
District No. 10

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 911, adopted March 4, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker